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ROUND: PREPARATIONS FOR ROUND EIGHT

CW MESSAGE NO.51

1. WE RECOMMEND THAT PREPARATIONS FOR ROUND EIGHT FOCUS
ON THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW. IN ADDITION, WE RECOMMEND THAT
AN UPDATED AND EXPANDED SET OF KEY ELEMENTS BE PREPARED
WHICH COULD SERVE AS A BASIS FOR DRAFTING DURING ROUND
EIGHT.

-- QUESTIONS:

-- (1) WHAT ARE THE MOST COMMON OR IMPORTANT SUPER-TOXIC
CHEMICALS USED FOR NON-MILITARY PURPOSES? (AS MUCH
INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE SHOULD BE PROVIDED ON QUANTITIES,
USES, TOXIC PROPERTIES, AND SOURCES.)

-- (2) IS OUR INFORMATION ON SOVIET WWII CHEMICAL FACILI-
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TIES COMPLETE ENOUGH TO PERMIT A GOOD CROSS-CHECK AGAINST
A SOVIET DECLARATION OF FACILITIES, ASSUMING A 1940 CUT-
OFF DATE? GOOD ENOUGH TO SUBSTANTIATE A REQUEST FOR
CHALLENGE INSPECTION? (THE ANSWERS TO THESE QUESTIONS
ARE ESSENTIAL TO THE REVIEW UNDER QUESTION 12(C) BELOW.)
-- (3) WHAT ARRANGEMENTS ARE ENVISIONED FOR ENSURING
IMPLEMENTATION OF, AND COMPLIANCE WITH, THE CONVENTION

WITHIN THE UNITED STATES?

- (4) WHAT INFORMATION ON PROTECTION-RELATED ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE EXCHANGED FOR CONFIDENCE-BUILDING PURPOSES?
- (5) WHAT ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED PART OF THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPMENT OF MEANS OF CHEMICAL WARFARE? WHAT ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED LEGITIMATE ASPECTS OF DEVELOPMENT OF MEANS OF PROTECTION?
- (6) WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATE OF DEVELOPMENT OF SIMULANTS FOR PROTECTIVE TRAINING? WHAT RESEARCH IS UNDERWAY, AND WHAT ADVANCES ARE LIKELY DURING THE NEXT FIVE TO SEVEN YEARS?
- (7) WHAT METHODS WOULD THE US EMPLOY FOR DESTRUCTION OF AGENT AND WEAPON STOCKS? (A BACKGROUND PAPER IS NEEDED FOR USE IN DISCUSSION OF THE DECLARATION OF PLANS FOR DESTRUCTION OF STOCKS.)
- (8) WHAT BILATERAL (US-USSR) CONSULTATIVE ARRANGEMENTS DOES THE US ENVISION AFTER THE JOINT INITIATIVE IS SUBMITTED? AFTER THE CONVENTION IS NEGOTIATED? AFTER THE CONVENTION COMES INTO FORCE?
- (9) HOW WOULD INSPECTORS BE CHOSEN FOR INTERNATIONAL VERIFICATION OPERATIONS?
- (10) WHAT GENERAL PROCEDURES SHOULD BE USED FOR ON-SITE VERIFICATION OF STOCKPILE DESTRUCTION? (THIS SHOULD BE A GENERAL SUMMARY SUITABLE FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES.)
- REVIEW OF US POSITION ON:
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- (11) PROHIBITION OF SUPER-TOXIC CHEMICALS FOR MILITARY PURPOSES NOT RELATED TO CHEMICAL WARFARE.
- (12) DISPOSITION OF CW PRODUCTION AND FILLING FACILITIES.
 - (A) UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES COULD CONVERSION OF FACILITIES BE ALLOWED? WHAT TYPE OF CONVERSION AND UNDER WHAT VERIFICATION ARRANGEMENTS?)
 - (B) WOULD ARRANGEMENTS OTHER THAN THOSE PROPOSED BY THE US FOR MANDATORY ON-SITE INSPECTION BE ACCEPTABLE?
 - (C) WHAT SHOULD THE CUT-OFF DATE FOR DECLARATION OF FACILITIES BE? VANDEN HEUVEL

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